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Steve Gojevic in action.

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

The Preston Makedonia Committee Members and faithful spectators wish to welcome Footscray at our Soccer Stadium in Reservoir.

This game would have to be Makedonias most important for the season.

Footscray are playing very well at the moment but Makedonias desperation and importance of the game should see us get the points.

TODAY'S LIKELY LINE UP

MAKEDONIA
1. Philip Traianedes
2. Con Opasinis
3. Ian Roodhouse
4. Steve Jackson
5. Zoran Tasevski
6. George Petrov
7. Steve Gojevic
8. John Stewart
9. Goce Dimovski
10. Steve Smith
11. Michael Brian
12. Bill Piculovski
13. Mike McLennan
14. George Jolevski
15. George Slifkas

Coach: Ernie Merrick

FOOTSCRAY
1. Nikitovic
2. Murphy
3. Deankovic
4. Van Egmond
5. Tapai
6. Karic
7. Bozinovski
8. Fabrizio
9. Spink
10. Dimoski
11. Lujic

Coach: Mirsad Fazlagic

Cambell is coming

MERRICK

(... and Preston MAKEDONIA)

CAN'T WAIT

IF there is a more frustrated coach in the West End National League at the moment then Ernie Merrick, of Preston Makedonia, he has my sincere sympathy. But somehow it's impossible to imagine.

Preston has now played five league games and failed to score a goal and for a coach with a love of attacking soccer, nothing could be worse.

"I have never worked so hard with players on scoring goals," he says.

"And my players tell me they have never had so much shooting practice in their lives before.

"Everything works out fine at training, but goes terribly wrong in games. I just cannot understand it."

The introduction of new player Saso Petkovski from Yugoslavia did little to boost Merrick's confidence for the future although he refuses to blame his new striker for last Sunday's blank sheet.

"He will take time to settle in and it wouldn't be fair to judge him on his first game," said Merrick.

"The really annoying thing is that the defence is playing so well and if we could only get the ball in the net we would be hard to beat.

"But you cannot expect to survive with only a good defence. It can't expect to last out every game without conceding a goal."

While Merrick still manages to put on a brave face, there is little doubt he is under considerable strain. Coaches have been sacked for less.

But there is a flicker of light at the end of the tunnel — the impending return of Ron Campbell.

"There is no doubt we have missed him," said Merrick. "You know, we failed to win one game last season when he wasn't playing and it's carried on this season.

"He still hasn't played for us because of his heel injury, but I am very hopeful that he will be back for our next game in two weeks."

Preston like all Melbourne clubs, has a free weekend because of the Olympic qualifying game against Israel at Olympic Park on Sunday.

"Ronnie has had a couple of runs with the youth team and he scored a goal.

"So I am keeping my fingers crossed that he will be ready for the first team when we play Footscray at Connor Reserve on the 13th of March," said Merrick.

"He is obviously something of a good luck charm and we could really do with a change of luck."

But Merrick is not pinning all his faith on Campbell. He would like at least one new player, preferably a striker, and he will start looking around immediately.

One possibility is Stuart Stevenson, who has been put on the transfer list by South Melbourne Hellas at around $12,000.

Stevenson would certainly liven things up in the Preston attack and Merrick admits he likes his style.

In the meantime, Merrick says he has over a week to sort a few things out and he intends to work hard on breaking the goal-scoring hoodoo which seems to have taken over his players.

"There is no point in letting it get us down. What we have to do is keep working at solving the problem," he says.

"Maybe it will take a couple of players to freshen things up, but at the moment we are too good a team to be where we are in the league."

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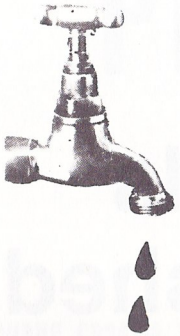

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SHOT–SHY PRESTON FAIL AGAIN

MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (Miposevic 88th), PRESTON MAKEDONIA 0.

PRESTON Makedonia are destined for relegation! Such a statement is most harsh, however one needs to score goals to get the points on the board, and in Preston's case 450 minutes without a goal is the perfect way for a team to be labelled relegation candidates. In this game, Jeff Olver was only called on twice to save from Preston shots and even these never looked like clear chances.

Melbourne Croatia dominated the midfield, and ultimately this was where the game was won. Josip Biskic and Branko Milosevic played well for Croatia, both initiating forward thrusts and it was Milosevic who scored the all important winner when he cooly dribbled his way past five Preston defenders before calmly slotting the ball past the diving Preston goalkeeper, Phil Trianides, in the 88th minute of the game.

Preston looked flat and lacked the confidence and skill to create clear chances, and Goce Dimovski played a shocker.

New signing for Preston, Saso Petkovski, failed to impress in his first game, and I think he may find Australian soccer a bit too physical for his liking.

Theo Selemidis played solidly in defence for Croatia before being substituted in the 60th minute.

In a desperate bid to improve Preston's midfield play, Saso Petkovski was replaced in the 62nd minute by Mick Brian who, however, failed to make any mark on the game in the remaining 28 minutes.

Preston's only real chance, (if you can call it a chance), came in the final minute of the first half, when Jeff Olver made a fairly comfortable save from a shot by the barren Steve Smith.

Melbourne Croatia finally secured the two points it deserved in the 88th minute, and it seems that Preston Makedonia will need to pull something out of the hat if it wishes to gegain last years magic form which saw it come second to Apia in the championship race.

Missed Penalty Costs Makedonia Two Points

Preston Makedonia 0
Adelaide City-Juventus 0

Makedonia: Traianedes; Ilioski; Roodhouse; Jackson; Tasevski; Petrov; Jolevski (Dimovski); Petrov; Stewart; Gojevic; Smith; Brian.

Juventus: Zabica; Shillabeer; Tobin; Nyskohus; Flounders; Melta; Santral; Villani; Mullen; Maxwell; Sorensen.

Not even a new tactic by Makedonia coach Ernie Merrick could inspire Makedonia to win!

Ernie gave all the Makedonia players (except Traianedes) different numbers to wear, maybe to confuse the opposition. For example Gojevic wore No. 2 instead of No. 11, Smith wore No. 5 rather than No. 9 and so on. The team did play better than last week, but still could not break the drought. Steve "Super" Smith had a chance to score Makedonia's first league goal from a penalty but his attempt was saved by the keeper Zabica. Zoran "Billy Bremner" Tasevski came back into the side and his class showed during the match.

But the person who stole the show was young George Jolevski. He was excellent as stopper and as attacker. The guy played in the exact mould of Franz Beckenbauer. Jolevski is skillful, fast, tough and most of all has a "football brain".

Zoran "Zoki" Ilioski was reliable at back, John Stewart battled hard all day, and Steve Gojevic waltzed his way through the mid-field with his delicate silky skills.

Poor Goce Dimovski was on the bench and came on late in the second half, Dimovski has sadly been out of form, but hopefully he can get his act together when compatriot Saso Petkovski comes from S.R. Macedonia. Petkovski was expected to arrive last Sunday but will come to Melbourne on Wednesday instead.

Makedonia's best chance to score its first goal of the season fell to Stevie Smith in the 32nd minute after being floored by an Adelaide defender after young Michael Branov cut in and gave Smith a beautiful ball, who then proceeded to turn. Smith walked up and hit a weak shot that Zabila, the opposing keeper, saved easily.

Zoran Tasevski should have redeemed Makedonia six minutes later. Tasevski was on hand at the near post, but his close range attempt was foiled by Zabila once again.

Four matches have gone by and yet Makedonia has not scored a goal nor won a game. Their league record stands at: 3 draws, 1 loss, and no wins. Something has to be done, some of the players are very complacent and not prepared to fight and battle away. If nothing is done, well then we might be saying hello to the State League next season.

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GOVORIME MAKEDONSKI

Murphy strikes late

BY JOHN MANGAN

A DRAMATIC last-minute goal by recent recruit Peter Murphy gave Melbourne Croatia a narrow 1-0 victory over Preston Makedonia on Sunday night at Olympic Park.

With the crowd resigned to a goalless draw, Croatia produced a touch of last-minute magic to snatch both points.

Midfielder Alan Scott made room just outside the box in the 89th minute and pushed the ball forward to Murphy,a $1000 buy from Perth Azzurri in the close-season.

He dragged the ball across the face of goal past three Makedonia defenders and hit a shot on the turn which edged past keeper Phil Trianides into the back of the net.

Until then the match had been a dour affair, with both teams uninspired.

Last week, Croatia were hammered 4-1 at Wollongong while Makedonia have been going through a horror-stretch — failing to score a league goal so far this year.

Though barely off the plane, Macedonian import Saso Petkovski was given a run before being substituted by Michael Brian in the 63rd minute. He lacked match-fitness and will take time to adapt to the more physical Australian style.

Melbourne Croatia were also showing off a new signing, Theo Selemidis, who they bought last week from relegated Heidelberg. Like Petkovski, Selemidis failed to see out the 90 minutes, coming off in the 59th minute with a strained thigh.

While Croatia's Socceroos, keeper Jeff Olver and full-back Alan Davidson, performed solidly, the team's best on the day was midfielder Josip Biskic, whose darting runs down the right flank caused havoc in the Preston defence.

The game could well have swung Preston's way had Steve Smith converted an opportunity in the 42nd minute.

Smith raced into the box and only a brilliant full-length diving save by Olver denied him.

Meanwhile, Croatia continues its efforts to strengthen the squad.

While negotiations to transfer Ivan Duzel from Croatian-backed State League outfit St Albans Dinamo have reached a stalemate, officials are hopeful that following a tribunal hearing they will be able to bolster the midfield with youth international Anthony Grbac who is seeking a move from Brunswick Juventus.

MELBOURNE CROATIA: Olver, Davidson, Heys, Dobson, Selemidis (Valentic 68th), Donnelly, Lewis (Talejic 75th), Biskic, Scott, Milosevic, Murphy.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Trianides, Mosid, Roedhouse, Jackson, Tasevski, Petrov, Dimovski, Stewart, Petkovski (Brian 63rd), Smith, Gojevic. Coach: Ernie Merrick.

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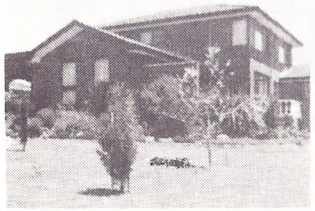

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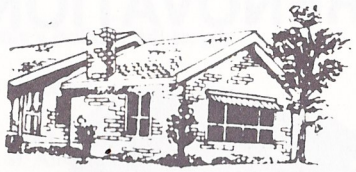

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SOCCEROOS 2–0 WIN A BOOST FOR GAMES

The Socceroos have a convincing advantage in the Oceania Olympic qualifying series after beating Israel 2-0 at Olympic Park last night.

New Zealand, which should have taken a clear lead in the series, failed to break down a top Taiwanese defence until the 86th minute of the earlier match and took only a 1-0 victory after hoping for at least four or five goals.

Australia heads the group after the first round and it is fair to assume it will build up its goal tally against the Taiwanese in Adelaide on Wednesday night.

South Melbourne Hellas midfielder Paul Wade was the star of last night's match, toiling unselfishly, winning the ball regularly all over the field, and delivering a brilliant long pass from which Frank Farina scored the second goal in the final minute of play.

The first goal was the result of a penalty awarded after a foul by Israeli left-back Nir Klinger on Farina. It was converted by Socceroo captain Charlie Yankos, who came close to adding another goal with a long free kick that hit the crossbar.

Australia dominated the second half with 10 scoring attempts compared with three by Israel. Overall Australia managed 16 strikes at goal and five corners while Israel had seven scoring attempts and four corners.

Brunswick Juventus midfielder Mike Petersen, who replaced Jim Patikas (out with a gastric upset), also put in an outstanding performance, punctuated by highly imaginative passing.

Petersen's best effort was a ball into space behind a defender for John Kosmina, who faced goalkeeper Ben-Zion Ginzburg but missed narrowly with 10 minutes to go.

The much-vaunted Israeli strikers Eli Drieks and Roni Rosenthal were subdued for most of the match by Garry McDowall and, especially, by Wally Savor, who gave Rosenthal barely a kick.

After playing some good soccer in the first half, Israel went on the defensive after half time as the marauding Socceroos took an iron grip on the match.

But there were a few moments of panic late in play when Australian goalkeeper Jeff Olver made a brilliant save to stop a close-range shot from Drieks, and Daniel Brialovski shot narrowly wide.

Ginzburg, however, also had to make an acrobatic save to turn a curving free kick from Oscar Crino over the bar in the 54th minute. Crino earlier had rattled the woodwork with a shot that beat Ginzburg.

In their previous 13 matches since 1969, Australia had beaten Israel only four times — and never by more than one goal, meaning that last night's was the Socceroos' best result against their arch rivals.

In the earlier match the gallant Taiwanese rearguard, in which sweeper Yu-Jaan Chiou and stopper Chih-Hung Lin were outstanding, was finally beaten by New Zealand substitute Noel Barkley, who headed the ball home with his first touch after replacing Colin Walker two minutes earlier.

In Adelaide on Wednesday, New Zealand meets Israel at 7 pm and Australia takes on Taiwan at 9 pm. The series switches to Sydney on Sunday, where Australia meets New Zealand and Israel meets Taiwan. The reverse ties will take place in New Zealand from 20 March to 27 March.

Australian coach Frank Arok said he would make five changes in the team to play Taiwan on Wednesday.

1988 WEST END NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE

SUNDAY MARCH 13, 4PM

Adelaide City	v	Melb. Croatia	Olympic Sports F.

6PM

Preston Makedonia	v	Footscray	Connor Reserve
Sth Melbourne	v	Sunshine G.C.	Middle Park

ROUND 7, SATURDAY MARCH 19, 6PM

Brisbane Lions	v*	Brunswick Juve	Richlands Stad.

8PM

Marconi	v	Preston Make	Marconi Stad.

5PM

Apia Leichhardt	v	Sth Melbourne	Wentworth Park

SUNDAY MARCH 20, 4PM

Sunshine G.C.	v	St George	Chaplin Reserve
Footscray	v	Adelaide City	Schintler Reserve
Melb. Croatia	v	Sydney Croatia	Olympic Park

7.30PM

Sydney Olympic	v	W'gong City	Sydney Football S.

ROUND 8, SUNDAY MARCH 27

Melb. Croatia	v	Footscray	Olympic Park
Adelaide City	v	Marconi	Olympic Sports F.
Preston Make	v	Sydney Oly	Connor Reserve
St George	v	Apia Leichhardt	St George Stad.
Sth Melbourne	v	Brisbane Lions	Middle Park
Sydney Croatia	v	Brunswick Juve	Croatian Sports C.
Sunshine G.C.	v	W'gong City	Chaplin Reserve

ROUND 9, SUNDAY APRIL 3

Brisbane Lions	v	St George	Richlands Stad.
Apia-Leichhardt	v	W'gong City	Wentworth Park
Sunshine G.C.	v	Preston Make	Chaplin Reserve
Sydney Olympic	v	Adelaide City	Sydney Football S
Marconi	v	Melb. Croatia	Marconi Stadium
Brunswick Juve	v	Sth Melbourne	Olympic Village
Footscray	v	Sydney Croatia	Schintler Reserve

ROUND 10, SUNDAY APRIL 10

Footscray	v	Marconi	Schintler Reserve
Melb..Croatia	v	Sydney Oly	Olympic Park
Adelaide City	v	Sunshine G.C.	Olympic Sports F.
Preston Make	v	Apia-Leichhardt	Connor Reserve
Wollongong City	v	Brisbane Lions	Brandon Park
St George	v	Brunswick Juve	St George Stad.
Sydney Croatia	v	Sth Melbourne	Croatian Sports C.

ROUND 11, SUNDAY APRIL 17

Sth Melbourne	v	St George	Middle Park
Brunswick Juve	v	W'gong City	Olympic Village*
Brisbane Lions	v	Preston Make	Richlands Stad.
Apia-Leichhardt	v	Adelaide City	Wentworth Park
Sunshine G.C.	v	Melb. Croatia	Chaplin Reserve
Sydney Olympic	v	Footscray	Sydney Football S.
Marconi	v	Sydney Croatia	Marconi Stad.

ROUND 12, SUNDAY APRIL 24

Preston Make	v	Brunswick Juve	Connor Reserve
Marconi	v	Sydney Oly	Marconi Stadium
Footscray	v	Sunshine G.C.	Schintler Reserve
Melb. Croatia	v	Apia-Leichhardt	Olympic Park
Adelaide City	v	Brisbane Lions	Olympic Sports F.
Wollongong City	v	Sth Melbourne	Brandon Park
St George	v	Sydney Croatia	St George Stad.

*Subject to change

ROUND 13, SUNDAY MAY 1

St George	v	W'gong City	St George Stad.
Sth Melbourne	v	Preston Make	Middle Park
Brunswick Juve	v	Adelaide City	Olympic Village*
Brisbane Lions	v	Melb. Croatia	Richlands Stad.
Apia-Leichhardt	v	Footscray	Wentworth Park
Sunshine G.C.	v	Marconi	Chaplin Reserve
Sydney Croatia	v	Sydney Oly	Croatian Sports C.

ROUND 14, SUNDAY MAY 8

St George	v	Preston Make	St George Stad.
Sunshine G.C.	v	Sydney Oly	Chaplin Reserve
Apia-Leichhardt	v	Marconi	Wentworth Park
Brisbane Lions	v	Footscray	Richlands Stad.
Brunswick Juve	v	Melb. Croatia	Olympic Village
Sth Melbourne	v	Adelaide City	Middle Park
Wollongong City	v	Sydney Croatia	Brandon Park

ROUND 15, SUNDAY MAY 15

Preston Make	v	W'gong City	Connor Reserve
Adelaide City	v	St George	Olympci Sports F.
Melb. Croatia	v	Sth Melbourne	Olympic Park
Footscray	v	Brunswick Juve	Schintler Reserve
Marconi	v	Brisbane Lions	Marconi Stad.
Sydney Olympic	v	Apia-Leichhardt	Sydney F'ball G.
Sunshine G.C.	v	Sydney Croatia	Chaplin Reserve

ROUND 16, SUNDAY MAY 22

St George	v	Melb. Croatia	St George Stad.
Wollongong City	v	Adelaide City	Brandon Park
Apia-Leichhardt	v	Sunshine G.C.	Wentworth Park
Brisbane Lions	v	Sydney Oly	Richlands Stad.
Brunswick Juve	v	Marconi	Olympic Village
Sth Melbourne	v	Footscray	Middle Park
Sydney Croatia	v	Preston Make	Croatian Sports C.

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ROUND 17. SUNDAY MAY 29

Adelaide City	v	Preston Make	Olympic Sports F.
Melb. Croatia	v	W'gong City	Olympic Park
Footscray	v	St George	Schintler Reserve
Marconi	v	Sth Melbourne	Marconi Stad.
Sydney Olympic	v	Brunswick Juve	Sydney F'ball G.
Sunshine G.C.	v	Brisbane Lions	Chaplin Reserve
Apia-Leichhardt	v	Sydney Croatia	Wentworth Park

ROUND 18, SUNDAY JUNE 5

St George	v	Marconi	St George Stad.
Wollongong City	v	Footscray	Brandon Park
Preston Make	v	Melb. Croatia	Connor Reserve
Brisbane Lions	v	Apia-Leichhardt	Richlands Stad.
Brunswick Juve	v	Sunshine G.C.	Olympic Village*
Sth Melbourne	v	Sydney Oly	Middle Park
Adelaide City	v	Sydney Croatia	Olympic Sports F.

ROUND 19, SUNDAY JUNE 12

Melb. Croatia	v	Adelaide City	Olympic Park
Footscray	v	Preston Make	Schintler Reserve
Sydney Olympic	v	St George	Sydney F'ball G.
Sunshine G.C.	v	Sth Melbourne	Chaplin Reserve
Apia-Leichhardt	v	Brunswick Juve	Wentworth Park
Sydney Croatia	v	Brisbane Lions	Croatian Sports C.

MONDAY JUNE 13

Marconi	v	W'gong City	Marconi Stad.

ROUND 20, SUNDAY JUNE 19

St George	v	Sunshine G.C.	St George Stad.
Wollongong City	v	Sydney Oly	Brandon Park
Preston Make	v	Marconi	Connor Reserve
Adelaide City	v	Footscray	Olympic Sports F.
Brunswick Juve	v	Brisbane Lions	Olympic Village
Sth Melbourne	v	Apia-Leichhardt	Middle Park
Sydney Croatia	v	Melb. Croatia	Croatian Sports C.

*Subject to change

ROUND 21, SUNDAY JUNE 26

Footscray	v	Melb. Croatia	Schintler Reserve
Marconi	v	Adelaide City	Marconi Stad.
Sydney Olympic	v	Preston Make	Sydney F'ball S.
Wollongong City	v	Sunshine G.C.	Brandon Park
Apia-Leichhardt	v	St George	Wentworth Park
Brisbane Lions	v	Sth Melbourne	Richlands Stad.
Brunswick Juve	v	Sydney Croatia	Olympic Village*

ROUND 22 SUNDAY JULY 3

St George	v	Brisbane Lions	St George Stad.
Wollongong City	v	Apia-Leichhardt	Brandon Park
Preston Make	v	Sunshine G.C.	Connor Reserve
Adelaide City	v	Sydney Oly	Olympic Sports F.
Melb. Croatia	v	Marconi	Olympic Park
Sth Melbourne	v	Brunswick Juve	Middle Park
Sydney Croatia	v	Footscray	Croatian Sports C.

ROUND 23
(SPLIT ROUND PLAYED JULY 10TH & 17TH)

Marconi	v	Footscray	Marconi Stad.
Sydney Olympic	v	Melb. Croatia	Sydney F'ball S.
Sunshine G.C.	v	Adelaide City	Chaplin Reserve
Apia-Leichhardt	v	Preston Make	Wentworth Park
Brisbane Lions	v	W'gong City	Richlands Stad.
Brunswick Juve	v	St George	Olympic Village
Sth Melbourne	v	Sydney Croatia	Middle Park

ROUND 24, SUNDAY JULY 24

St George	v	Sth Melbourne	St George Stad.
Wollongong City	v	Brunswick Juve	Brandon Park
Preston Make	v	Brisbane Lions	Connor Reserve
Adelaide City	v	Apia-Leichhardt	Olympic Sports F.
Melb. Croatia	v	Sunshine G.C.	Olympic Park
Footscray	v	Sydney Oly	Schintler Reserve
Sydney Croatia	v	Marconi	Croatian Sports C.

ROUND 25, SUNDAY JULY 31

Sydney Olympic	v	Marconi	Sydney F'ball S.
Sunshine G.C.	v	Footscray	Chaplin Reserve
Apia-Leichhardt	v	Melb. Croatia	Wentworth Park
Brisbane Lions	v	Adelaide City	Richlands Stad.
Brunswick Juve	v	Preston Make	Olympic Village
Sth Melbourne	v	W'gong City	Middle Park
Sydney Croatia	v	St George	Croatian Sports C.

ROUND 26, SUNDAY AUGUST 7

Preston Make	v	St George	Connor Reserve
Sydney Olympic	v	Sunshine G.C.	Sydney F'ball S.
Marconi	v	Apia-Leichhardt	Marconi Stad.
Footscray	v	Brisbane Lions	Schintler Reserve
Melb. Croatia	v	Brunswick Juve	Olympic Park
Adelaide City	v	Sth Melbourne	Olympic Sports F.
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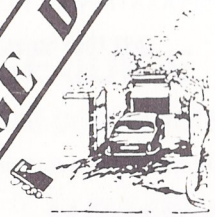

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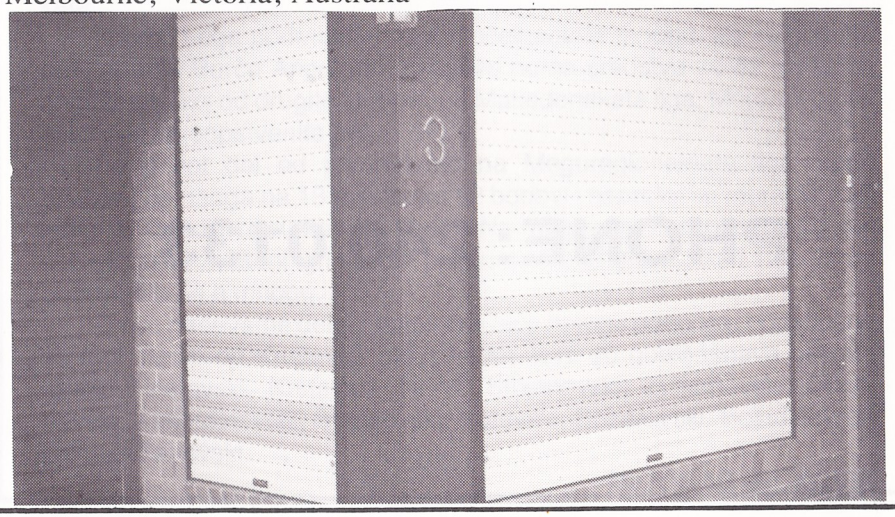

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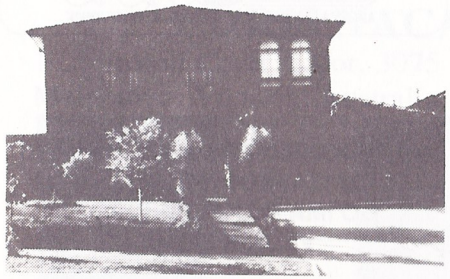

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YUGAL IS GONGED

YUGAL's second defeat, this time at the hands of Wollongong Macedonia, and at Fraser Park, showed once again that the side will have to change its complete backline if its to stay in the State League.

Only the goalkeeper and to an extent Eddie Pahor did enough to justify their selection, but the rest simply lack just about everything to compete at this level.

Jimmy Ziras, the man most expected to lead Yugal to greater things in 1988, is out of touch and out of puff. He lost possession on numerous occasions on Saturday and had Brian Brown exploited his opportunities to the full one would have seen a scoreline which would havé embarassed Yugal.

Alas, it wasn't to be.

Wollongong's 'Black Flash' was in full flight after only three minutes of the first half. He dispossesed Ziras at the centre field then raced forward and was soon to leave two more Yugal players in his wake.

However, Kumsuz tackled with both arms, stopping the progress of the speedy striker and an easy goal to Wollongong was turned into a free kick outside the penalty area.

Another error by Ziras came after 55 minutes when he handled and from the resultant penalty. Macedonia scored through Zivko Hristovski to go one-up.

Kenny Slaveski engineered a move in the 76th which put the issue beyond doubt. His through ball found Brown in the clear inside the area. He was at an angle and for once decided to push the ball back for Giraldi to score.

Zivko Hristovski was on hand to make two vital intercepts in the 83rd and 90th minutes, leaving the Yugal defence well short of required defenders.

On both occasions he supplied Brown with a great ball which the speedy striker managed to waste on one occasion, then he failed to take advantage of the fallen keeper on the second.

Wotherspoon and Brown were also in the clear at the 85th minute mark but Gardiner decided to shoot when he should have passed to his team mates.

Yugal's forward forays netted very little. In fact only one shot at goal was registered from the Yugal players, that of Zunic in the 78th minute.

One of the more dangerous Yugal shots came from Ljupco Dafkovski, Macedonia's sweeper. His back pass to Krajnovic was wide of the keeper and had some sting in it. However, John Krajnovic was equal to the task on both occasions.

Macedonia was best served by Kenny Slaveski, who would be far better suited in Wollongong's midfield, and hard-tackling Sweeney and Hristovski. Yugal's best by far was Stan Tanovski.

YUGAL: Pinto, Turkoglou, Pahor, Ziras, Tomasic, Thompson, Tanovski, Apostolides (Gogic), Card, Zunic, Kumsuz (Travini).

WOLLONGONG MACEDONIA: Krajnovic, Slaveski, Campbell, Dafkovski, Sweeney, Wotherspoon, Hughes, Brown, Gardiner, Hristovski, Giraldi.

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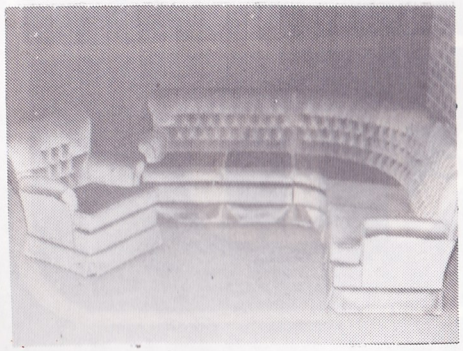

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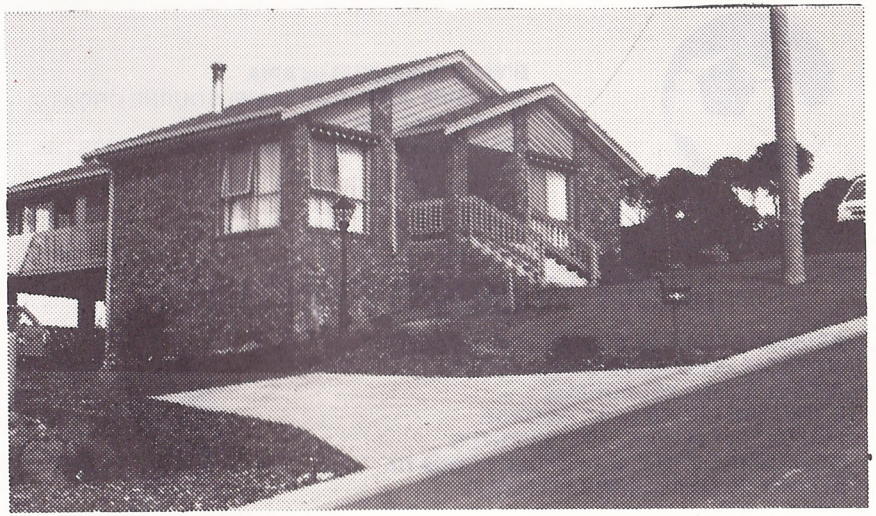

HERE IS HOW THEY STAND AFTER ROUND FIVE

WEST END NSL STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
MARCONI	4	0	2	16	8	8
SYDNEY OLYMPIC	3	2	1	7	2	8
WOLLONGONG	3	2	1	10	8	8
SYDNEY CROATIA	4	0	2	8	9	8
SOUTH MELBOURNE	1	4	0	5	2	6
MELBOURNE CROATIA	2	2	1	6	7	6
BRISBANE LIONS	2	1	3	11	10	5
B'WICK JUVENTUS	1	3	1	6	6	5
S. GEORGE CROSS	2	1	2	7	12	5
ST. GEORGE	2	0	4	11	9	4
FOOTSCRAY JUST	1	2	2	5	5	4
APIA-L'HARDT	2	0	3	5	8	4
MAKEDONIA	0	3	2	0	3	3
ADEL. JUVENTUS	0	2	3	2	10	2

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

BRISBANE LIONS - SYDNEY CROATIA 4-0
MARCONI - WOLLONGONG 4-0
SYDNEY OLYMPIC - ST. GEORGE 1-0

THIS WEEK'S FIXTURES

B'WICK JUVENTUS vs APIA
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NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

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MARCONI vs MAKEDONIA
APIA vs SOUTH MELBOURNE
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SYDNEY OLYMPIC vs WOLLONGONG